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Officers cleared of wrongdoing

Year-long probe into alleged dumping of Aboriginals wraps up

By VICTORIA HANDYSIDES
Metro Edmonton

On the same day that Prime Minister Stephen Harper formally apologized for a policy of taking aboriginal people from their homes and families and sending them far away to residential schools, a group

of Edmonton police officers accused of dumping nine homeless Aboriginal people in a remote area was cleared of any wrongdoing.

After a public complaint, RCMP launched a year-long investigation of Edmonton city police officers for allegedly picking up nine homeless people on Whyte Avenue in May 2005, cramming them into a police van and dropping them off in the city's north.

The investigation wrapped up yesterday. Alberta Justice Special

no comment

» Police Chief Mike Boyd was out of town yesterday and his spokesman Jeff Wuite said he would not be taking any calls on the matter.

Prosecutions recommended that no criminal charges be laid against any of the officers involved.

"What they did was wrong," said Harold Roscher, chaplain director of the Edmonton Na-

tive Healing Centre. "I'm not going to condone their actions, and they obviously need better ways of dealing with things."

The Edmonton Native Healing Centre provides a drop-in centre for Aboriginal people, including social programming that teaches life skills to youths and adults.

Since the incident, Roscher said, police have been dropping intoxicated

homeless people off at the centre more often.

"Sometimes these drunks and addicts are a pain in the butt and a handful to handle," he said. "Dropping them off, hoping they'll sober up on the walk back is the wrong way to handle it though."

Roscher said there should have been some disciplinary action. Jail would be too harsh, he said, but a suspension without pay would have been a suitable alternative.

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no divorce

Madonna denies reports it's over



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Canada apologizes

Prime Minister Stephen Harper, bottom left, and other MPs listen as National Chief of the Assembly of First Nations Phil Fontaine, right, speaks in the House of Commons in Ottawa yesterday. Canada apologized yesterday for forcing 150,000 aboriginal children into residential schools, where many say they were abused. Story, page 4.

Colbert airs Stelmach

Premier Ed Stelmach held back a chuckle yesterday when asked about his appearance on American spoof news show the Colbert Report.

Stelmach's humorous rant against the CBC's decision to pull the theme song to Hockey Night In Canada last Thursday at a news conference caught the eyes of satirical U.S. news anchor Stephen Colbert.

"This is ridiculous...uh...you know....," the premier had said grasping his chest with his hand.

"Strong words from a Canadian," said Colbert wryly after the clip ended on his Tuesday show.

The comedian declared the theme his, and gyrated to the iconic hockey tune while eating a hot dog, waving an American flag with one hand and holding a gun in the other.

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Police seek arson tips

Rash of fires leads to formation of new task force

The city's new police-led arson task force is asking people with tips to call in after another blaze struck another

westend neighbourhood yesterday morning.

Investigators in the case, however, have interviewed a suspect in the case, but no word has been made if charges have been laid.

Patrycia Chalupczynska, a police spokeswoman, told

Metro earlier this week that some of the cases might be linked.

The rash of arson began in late May, that included a number of dumpster fires. The most serious arson-set blaze included a fire that engulfed a fourplex on June 7.

Police Chief Mike Boyd set up the task force on Sunday to put a stop to the rash of arsons seen in the city's westend.

People with information about the number of arson cases are asked to call police at 423-4567.

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convocation **k.d., PhD**

Alberta-born singer-songwriter k.d. lang is presented with her honorary Doctorate of Laws degree from the University of Alberta during convocation yesterday afternoon at Edmonton's Jubilee Auditorium. Yesterday's graduates were primarily from the faculties of Education and Physical Education and Recreation.

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speeding

Drivers caught at double the limit

WARNING Edmonton police say that a few adrenaline junkies are turning the city's roads into their own personal raceways.

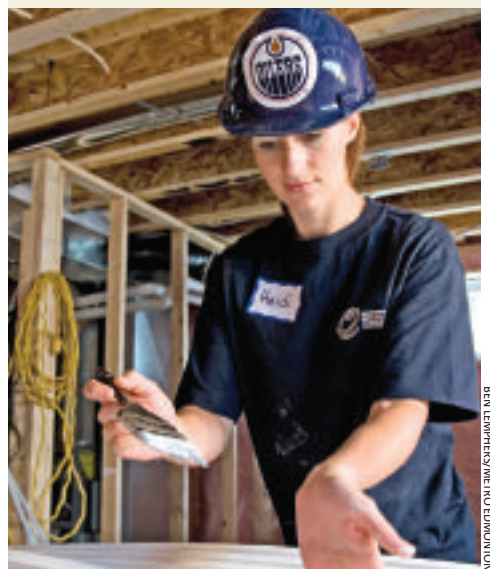
One unscrupulous vehicle was clocked at 112 km/h in a 50 km/h zone on 127 Avenue near 120 Street, police said yesterday.

Another was recorded moving at 126 km/h in a 60 zone on 137 Avenue along 113A Street.

Edmonton has had eight traffic fatalities this year, said police spokeswoman Patrycia Chalupczynska adding that officers are again warning people to slow down and drive safely.

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Oilers Building community



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Heidi Pisani, wife of Edmonton Oiler Fernando Pisani, paints baseboards in a Fort Saskatchewan Habitat for Humanity project yesterday. Wives and girlfriends helped out as part of an Oilers Community Foundation initiative.

Man shoots friend in leg

A man who intended to shoot himself over his personal problems accidentally shot his friend instead, police said yesterday.

The 39-year-old man was visited by a pal and a woman at his place near 107 Street and 83 Avenue. They tried to

calm him as he brandished an illegal handgun, police said.

The gun went off and the 30-year-old man was shot in the leg. The gun wielder faces several firearms related charges.

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Brian Mulroney, left, once again refused to testify before the Commons ethics committee in the probe into his financial dealings with international arms lobbyist Karlheinz Schreiber.

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»news In Brief



» **BOOZE** Statistics Canada suggests that the strain on the country's medical system, law enforcement organizations and job productivity because of alcohol abuse costs the Canadian economy roughly \$14.5 billion a year — costing the average citizen \$463 individually a year.

» **AFGHAN** Canada will have to extend its military mission in Afghanistan past 2011, must deploy 4,000 more troops to Kandahar and should be open to talking to the Taliban to get them to work towards common goals, a Senate defence committee said yesterday.

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Harper delivers apology

Native leaders express hope for better relations

Prime Minister Stephen Harper addressed one of the darkest chapters in Canada's history yesterday as he formally apologized for forcing 150,000 aboriginal children into grim residential schools, where many say they were sexually and physically abused.

Harper told a Parliamentary chamber packed with legislators and aboriginal representatives that there could be no excuses for what happened at the church-run schools, which operated from the 1870s to the 1970s.

"The government of Canada sincerely apologizes and asks the forgiveness of the aboriginal peoples of this country for failing them so



CHRIS WATKIE/REUTERS

Prime Minister Stephen Harper issues an apology to aboriginals in the House of Commons on Parliament Hill yesterday. Harper received a standing ovation when he concluded his speech.

profoundly. We are sorry," Harper said in a 15-minute address, at one point fighting back tears.

Native leaders said they hoped the apology would lead to a new era of reconciliation between Canadians

and the often marginalized aboriginal population which routinely suffers from poor living conditions and high unemployment.

Harold Roscher, chaplain director for the Edmonton Native Healing Center said it

was a good apology.

"It does cover and admit to some very specific things which needed to be expressed," he said. "It's obviously long overdue, though I'm happy that it happened today."

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world

Documents left on train

Top secret files
turned in to BBC

One of Britain's top intelligence officials left a file with secret documents about Iraq and al Qaeda on a train, in an embarrassing government security breach that

was exposed yesterday.

A passenger found the orange folder on a train and handed it in to the BBC, which said it contained top secret documents on Iraq and al Qaeda.

The Cabinet Office, the central government depart-

ment that supports the work of Prime Minister Gordon Brown, acknowledged the incident and said it had called in a police investigation.

A police spokeswoman confirmed that the counter-terrorism command of Lon-

don's police force was carrying out the probe.

The Cabinet Office declined to comment on the contents of the missing file. But the BBC said they contained two reports, one on Iraq's security forces and one on al Qaeda.

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Bruni sings of drugs, lovers

France's first lady Carla Bruni-Sarkozy sings of 30 lovers and hard drugs on a new album that she insists was not inspired by her whirlwind romance and marriage to President Nicolas Sarkozy.

Top French newspaper Le Figaro said the distinctive melodies and bold lyrics on Bruni's *Comme si de rien n'était* (As if nothing had happened), her first album since she wed Sarkozy, were a new departure from plain folk and a musical success.

Le Figaro critic Bertrand Dicale said in his review that the album — which is due out on July 21 — shows Bruni coming of age as a songstress and embracing more recognisably French styles and the flamboyance of the 1960s.

"I am a child despite my 40 years and 30 lovers," Bruni sings in the song *Une Enfant* (A Child), according to Dicale who said it was one of the best on the album.

This is Bruni's third album since turning from top model to musician.

REUTERS



File shot of ex-model Carla Bruni from March 2007, when her song *those Dancing Days Are Gone* registered at No. 4 in France.

Canadians still paying more

Prices 18% higher
than in U.S.: Study

Retail prices in Canada, from cars to video games and books, remain 18 per cent higher than the U.S. despite the loonie's meteoric rise to parity with the greenback last fall, according to the latest study by Doug Porter, deputy chief economist at BMO Capital Markets.

While that's down from the 24 per cent price gap seen a year ago, it's still "extraordinarily large," Porter said in

the report called "Uh, oh... the Price is Still wrong."

Meanwhile, Canadian retailers' profit margins are soaring, thanks in part to the higher dollar and cheap Asian imports, an earlier report by National Bank Financial shows. Retail profit margins hit a record high of 4.3 per cent in the first three months of this year, and are up 16 per cent over last year.

It seems retailers dropped prices just far enough last fall to "staunch a wave of cross-border shopping," Porter said.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Oil prices about 40% overvalued?

The price of oil is overvalued by at least 40 per cent and should fall to around \$80 US to \$90 US per barrel over the longer term, a top European Union economic adviser was quoted as saying yesterday.

Klaus Gretschmann, director general for internal market issues at the EU's Council of Ministers, told German daily *Die Welt* that a speculative bubble had formed around oil prices which

would burst, lowering the cost of crude.

"Twenty per cent of the current price is attributable to foreign exchange effects and the weakness of the dollar, another 25 per cent are down to speculation," he said.

Average production costs for a barrel of crude were currently around \$15 to \$25, the paper quoted him as saying.

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» **INCEST** The eldest child of an incestuous relationship between Austrian Josef Fritzl and the daughter he confined for 24 years has been reunited with her family after recovering from an artificial coma, doctors said. Doctors also said yesterday the whole family — Fritzl's daughter Elisabeth and the six surviving of seven children she bore him while locked in a cellar — had been moved into a house on hospital premises to promote a normal living environment.

» **DRUG BUST** Afghan police have seized 237 tonnes of hashish in what NATO-led forces and the British government called the biggest narcotics haul in history. The cannabis product had an estimated wholesale value of \$400 million US, a statement by the NATO-led ISAF force said yesterday.

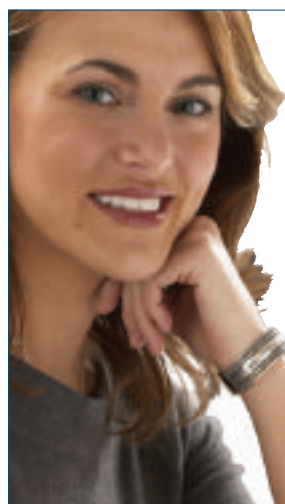
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» **COPYRIGHT** The federal government said yesterday it will introduce a bill in Parliament today to overhaul the country's copyright law. Experts have speculated that the Conservative government will bow to U.S. pressure to crack down on copying of digital material with what they call draconian restrictions written into the law.

» **IN COURT** General Motors of Canada is seeking \$1.5 million in damages from the Canadian Auto Workers union and is seeking an injunction against the union's blockade of its Oshawa, Ont., headquarters, court documents showed. GM filed a notice of action with the Ontario Superior Court of Justice on Tuesday.

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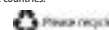


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sports



The Stanley Cup champion Detroit Red Wings have agreed to a new three-year contract with head coach Mike Babcock, left. The Wings have won 50-or-more games in each of their three seasons under Babcock. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Portugal playoff bound

Turkey eliminates unlucky Switzerland

EURO2008

Portugal became the first team into the Euro 2008 quarter-finals while co-hosts Switzerland went out in heart-breaking circumstances after two action-packed Group A matches yesterday.

Portugal, the 2004 runners-up, beat Czech Republic 3-1 in a hugely entertaining game in Geneva while Turkey snatched an injury-time 2-1 win over Switzerland in Basel, where torrential rain left first-half playing conditions almost farcical.

Portugal now have six points from their first two matches and are guaranteed to top the group regardless of what happens in their final game against Switzerland on Sunday.

The Czechs and Turkey each have three and meet in their last game — a winner-takes-all battle for second place which, for the first time in a major tournament group phase, will go to penalties if it ends level.

Yesterday's opening game was another classic and also featured the first equalizer of the tournament



Portugal's Cristiano Ronaldo, right, celebrates his goal with teammates Pepe, left, and Armando Petit during their Euro 2008 Group A match against Czech Republic yesterday in Geneva.

when Libor Sionko's diving header for the Czechs cancelled out Deco's opener in a high-tempo first half.

Portugal pressed on after the break and got the vital second with a

sweetly-struck shot by Ronaldo after 63 minutes, Ricardo Quaresma rounding it off with an injury-time breakaway.

"We created a lot of chances and

played as a unit. If we keep on playing like that we've got a good chance of doing well in this tournament," said Ronaldo, the man of the match.

REUTERS

NHL

McLellan hired as new Sharks coach

JOBS The San Jose Sharks have named Detroit Red Wings assistant Todd McLellan their new head coach.

McLellan will be formally introduced during a press conference today.

Before joining the Red Wings, the 40-year-old McLellan spent four seasons as head coach of the Houston Aeros in the American Hockey League.

NHL

Linden retires after 19 seasons

JOBS Vancouver Canucks winger Trevor Linden announced yesterday he's decided to hang up his skates.

Vancouver selected Linden second overall in the 1988 NHL draft and he spent 16 of his 19 seasons in the NHL with the Canucks. The forward, who scored 375 goals and added 492 assists, also played for Montreal, Washington and the New York Islanders.

baseball

Cracker-Cats split pair with Outlaws

DOUBLEHEADER The Edmonton Cracker-Cats split their pair of games with the Chico Outlaws yesterday at Telus Field.

The local side took the first game by a score of 6-2, but later fell to Chico 11-5.

Edmonton failed to gain ground on division-leading Calgary, as the Vipers were rained out yesterday.

NBA

Rondo sits out due to sore ankle

INJURIES Boston Celtics point guard Rajon Rondo didn't practice yesterday, one day after leaving Game 3 of the NBA Finals against the Los Angeles Lakers with an injury to his left ankle.

Rondo said he hopes to play tonight as the Celtics look to take a 3-1 stranglehold in the best-of-seven series. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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*L.A. Lakers at Boston, 7

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MLB

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AMERICAN LEAGUE

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Seattle 2 Toronto 1

Texas 11 Kansas City 5

N.Y. Yankees at Oakland

NATIONAL LEAGUE

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Colorado 1 San Francisco 0

L.A. Dodgers at San Diego

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Texas at Kansas City, 12:10

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Minnesota at Cleveland, 5:05

N.Y. Yankees at Oakland, 8:05

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Washington at Pittsburgh, 10:35

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Atlanta at Chicago Cubs, 12:20

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Philadelphia at Florida, 5:10

St. Louis at Cincinnati, 5:10

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Woods, Mickelson ready for battle

U.S. Open fans are set for a mouth-watering duel between Tiger Woods and Phil Mickelson over the next four days at Torrey Pines in San Diego where the biggest talking point has been the state of Woods' left knee.

The world No. 1 has not walked 18 holes since having surgery two months ago but remains heavy favourite to win his 14th major title on a course he has played countless times since his youth.

Woods has clinched the PGA Tour's Buick Invita-

tional staged at this course for the last four years, and a record six times overall.

Asked earlier this week about the condition of his knee, the 32-year-old replied: "I'm good to go. I plan on playing competitive. Come game time on Thursday, I'll be ready."

Woods is scheduled to tee off today's opening round in a high-profile grouping with world No. 2 Mickelson and

third-ranked Adam Scott of Australia.

Mickelson, like Woods, has been a regular visitor to Torrey Pines since his junior days and, as a resident of nearby Rancho Santa Fe, will attract huge support.

A winner of three major titles, he is especially hungry to clinch his first U.S. Open after finishing runner-up on four occasions.

"Winning this tournament would be something that would help define my career," Mickelson said.



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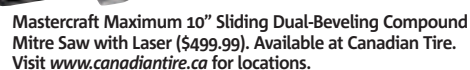
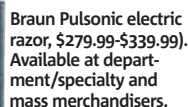
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DVDs great for Dad

By RICK MCGINNIS
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Just as Mother's Day is presaged by a torrent of romantic comedies and Halloween by the release of ever-more-obscure horror films from the vaults of the studios, the lead-up to Father's Day usually involves an avalanche of war films and westerns on DVD. This year, however, there have been a few wrinkles in the DVD prelude to Father's Day — a day that Dad is obvi-

ously supposed to spend on the couch watching tanks crash through hedgerows and bad guys go down gut-shot.

Top of the shopping list is Warner's **Dirty Harry: The Ultimate Collection** — seven discs collecting all five of Clint Eastwood's portrayals of the cop who never heard of Miranda rights. Warner's deluxe set comes with a little hardcover book, a map of Harry's pursuit of the Scorpio Killer

through San Francisco in the first film, a collection of facsimiles of studio paperwork on the series, and a little toy Harry Callaghan badge for Dad to use if he wants mom to do her best Sondra Locke after the kids are in bed.

Warner's also has a hell of a Frank Sinatra reissue program to draw on for Father's Day DVD gifts. **Sinatra**, the award-winning miniseries biopic of Sinatra's life starring Philip Casnoff as the singer — produced by Sina-

tra's daughter Tina — is a fond look at the singer with only a few of the famous warts on display. The wedding cake of the box sets is the **Rat Pack Ultimate Collector's Edition**, which brings together the original *Ocean's 11* with its three successively less swinging followups — **Robin And The 7 Hoods**, **4 For Texas** and **Sergeants 3** — with a collection of facsimile promo photos, lobby cards and an exhibitor's publicity book for the first film, along with a souvenir deck of cards.

Less lavish — but probably more basically watchable —

is the three-disc set collecting the films Sinatra made with Gene Kelly (**On The Town**, **Take Me Out To The Ball Game** and **Anchors Aweigh**).

Frank Sinatra: The Golden Years brings together five films Sinatra made during his post-comeback pinnacle in the '50s and early '60s, including **The Man With The Golden Arm** and **Some Came Running**. **Frank Sinatra: The Early Years** does the same thing for Skinny Frankie in the '40s, with titles like **It Happened**

In Brooklyn and **Step Lively**.

Finally, if Dad's managed to get a Blu-ray player, MGM has a quintet of war films out in high-def. **Patton**, **The Longest Day** and **The Sand Pebbles** all duplicate their regular DVD special editions, with bonus features on an extra disc for the first two titles, and Dad will probably experience shell shock after seeing these old favourites in HD. The discs of **The Battle Of Britain** and **A Bridge Too Far** come bare bones, however, without any special features, which means Dad will probably want to keep his DVD versions.



Dirty Harry: The Ultimate Collection contains seven discs with all five of Clint Eastwood's portrayals of the famous cop.



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Topping off your toilet with a bidet

The design team discussed the curious but highly practical bidet a month ago — and there were a lot of questions and a lot of interest.

We hope this column clarifies some of your questions. There are different kinds of bidets — we discussed the elegant stand-alone unit, which requires extra space and plumbing and tends to be regarded as “high end.” But many people without room or the desire to redo the plumbing in their bathrooms asked us about the toilet seat-type bidet. The toilet seat bidet is just what it sounds like — it is mounted on top of a conventional toilet like a larger-than-usual toilet seat. And it does exactly



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what a bidet is supposed to do — it cleans your posterior parts with soothing water (rather than subjecting them to the repeated and sometimes irritating scrubs with toilet paper or washcloths).

We've got to admit this — from a design point of view, we don't like a toilet-top bidet that looks too bulky and too “high-tech.” Please keep sleek and streamlined in mind — the



Toilet seat-type bidets, like this Brondell Swash 800, are a good way to save space in a bathroom.

last thing you want in a bathroom is a complicated and overly technical-looking piece of equipment, es-

pecially on a toilet.

That being said, we cannot deny that the toilet-seat bidet has unbeatable

practical advantages. For instance, it takes virtually no room. Once installed, it simply makes the existing toilet a little taller in the back. And it hooks up to the existing toilet, so not much extra plumbing is involved. In addition, the toilet seat bidets are easy to install and come off easily for cleaning. How persuasive is that?

The bidet toilet seat also has the advantage of being used in the same way a toilet is used — users sit on the toilet in the usual way and operate controls to turn on a water spray. So users with limited mobility may find the toilet-top bidet easier to use than a stand-alone unit, since they do not have to move themselves from the toilet,

face the wall, and straddle the stand-alone — a task that takes considerable physical dexterity.

“There is no squatting (with a toilet-top bidet) — easier for those with sore knees,” notes Rita Van Dyke, sales consultant with Burnaby-based BC Plumbing.

The other amazing thing about the toilet seat bidet is the frankly astonishing range of features that are available. With a remote control, you can control water temperature and intensity, but you can also choose pulsating sprays, blow-drying, a heated seat and much more.

Tammy Schnurr and Jeffrey Fisher are hosts of Arresting Design on W Network.

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A 'season to taste'

By **BARB HOLLAND**
Metro Food Writer

Asparagus season is short, usually just 4 to 6 weeks, depending on weather and locale. So pick up the last of local asparagus and grill it up with salmon, potatoes and pepper and toss with greens for a lovely warm weather dinner. Serve this recipe with some great bread and glass of chilled white wine.

Grilled Asparagus, Salmon and Potato Salad

INGREDIENTS:

1 lb (500 g) fresh local asparagus (1 bunch)
8 – 12 small potatoes, about 12 oz (375 g)
1 yellow pepper, quartered
Extra virgin olive oil
Salt and pepper
12 oz (375 g) salmon fillet
8 cups (2 L) mixed salad greens

Honey Tarragon Dressing

INGREDIENTS:

1 tbsp (15 mL) Dijon mustard
1 tbsp (15 mL) honey
2 tbsp (25 mL) white wine vinegar
1 tbsp (15 mL) fresh lemon juice
1 tsp (5 mL) dried tarragon leaves
½ tsp (2 mL) salt
¼ tsp (1 mL) pepper
1/3 cup (75 mL) olive or vegetable oil

PREPARATION TIME: 15 minutes

GRILLING TIME: 30 minutes

Serves 4

METHOD: Make dressing: In small bowl, whisk mustard, honey, vinegar and lemon juice. Add tarragon, salt and pepper. Slowly whisk in oil. Re-whisk just before serving, store any leftover in sealed jar in refrigerator. Makes about 2/3 cup (150 mL).

Brush salmon with 1 tbsp (15 mL) dressing while preparing remaining ingredients and preheating barbecue. Place greens in a large



Roasting and grilling concentrate the flavour of most foods, particularly vegetables that are often cooked in water, such as asparagus.

salad bowl. Wash asparagus well, snap off ends. Scrub potatoes. Toss asparagus, potatoes and yellow pepper with a little olive oil and season lightly with salt and pepper.

Grill asparagus, potatoes, pepper and salmon on preheated barbecue over medium-to-medium high heat until salmon is opaque and vegetables are done, 20 to 30 minutes. Remove items as they are cooked.

Slice salmon, asparagus and pepper into bite size pieces. Cut potatoes in half or quarters, depending on size. Add all to salad greens; add a small amount of dressing and

toss well. Serve immediately.

TIP #1: A flat grill with holes simplifies grilling fish and a grill basket is good for small vegetables such as small potatoes.

TIP #2: Refrigerate remaining dressing.

Asparagus Tips:

- Look for firm, straight spears with deep green or purple tips that are compact and tightly closed. The stem ends should be moist and green, not grey, cracked or dry.

- Skinny, medium or large, the size isn't the issue, but try to pick similar size spears for even cooking. Medium to large are better

for the grill.

- The fresher the better, asparagus is best cooked the day you buy it. To store any longer, cut 1 inch (2.5 cm) or so off the ends and wrap the ends in wet paper towel and store in plastic bag; or store like flowers, upright in 1 inch (2.5 cm) of water in a container and cover with plastic.

- Grit and sand can wedge itself in the tightly compacted tips, so wash well, lightly scrubbing the tips. Break off asparagus stems where they snap easily, composting the ends.

- Roasting and grilling concentrate the flavour of most

foods, particularly vegetables that are often cooked in water, such as asparagus. Toss in a little oil, season to taste and grill over a high to medium-high heat until tender-crisp but bright green. For doneness, go by looks and texture rather than time.

Nutritional Info

1 Serving	
Protein:	23 grams
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Calories:	343
Asparagus is a good source of fibre.	

just a bite



Prosciutto provides a touch of saltiness and crisp contrast to this tender, grilled asparagus.

Grilled Prosciutto and Asparagus Bundles

SERVES 6 Wash 36 spears of fresh Ontario Asparagus well; snap off ends. Dry and toss with oil and season with pepper. Divide asparagus into 12 bundles of 3 spears each; wrap each bundle of 3 with 1 piece of prosciutto.

Place bundles on greased grill over medium to medium-high heat; grill until asparagus is bright green and tender and prosciutto is crisp, about 5 minutes.

Serve bundles warm with a drizzle of garlicky Caesar dressing. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

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Katherine Heigl, left, will star in and produce the movie adaptation of *Escape*, Carolyn Jessop's memoir about living in a polygamist sect. EW.COM

new story

Apocalypse is now for Rogen



MOVIES Can the end of the world be funny?

Mandate Pictures thinks so, and it's turning an Internet trailer that writer/actor Seth Rogen and his pals did on the subject into a feature film.

Jay and Seth vs. the Apocalypse will be written by Rogen and his writing partner, Evan Goldberg, and will star Rogen and Jay Baruchel.

new series

Gossip Girl makers consider spinoff



TV The makers of *Gossip Girl* are planning a spinoff series set at a girls' boarding school.

Producers are hoping to expand the popular CW show either by giving co-star Taylor Momsen her own series or by introducing a new character in the fall who is later spun off. Regardless of which actor is used as the centre of the new show, the story would likely draw on the arc of Momsen's character, Jenny Humphrey. **REUTERS**

Wipe that smile away

Singer-songwriter Aimee Mann drops seventh solo disc

By ANN-MARIE COLACINO for Metro Edmonton

With her seventh solo album recently released and two decades of success behind her, including an Oscar nod, singer-songwriter Aimee Mann has a lot to smile about.

Just don't ask her to.

She makes it clear she despises this type of request in her new album title @#%&*! Smilers, which audiences are expected to insert their own curse word into. It's pointed at a phrase Mann and a friend coined to describe people who feel the need to tell others to be more ... well, smiley.

The characters in Mann's 13-song pop collection would likely share this sentiment. They include a drug addict, a has-been, an insecure artist and a host of other troubled personalities.

"I think it's a mix of both (real and fictional characters) ... there's definitely songs about people I know, but a lot of it is fictional," says Mann about Smilers, released on her own SuperEgos label.

Highly praised for her lyrics



@#%&*! Smilers, the latest album from Aimee Mann, was released last week.

(characters and situations in the 1999 movie *Magnolia* were written based on her songs), Mann's carefully crafted storytelling is often confessional and/or cautionary.

"(Songwriting) is good for the kinds of things that you can't really talk to anybody about and you can barely sort of even explain to yourself. It's a way for your sub-

conscious to kind of communicate with your self," explained the youthful-looking 47-year-old during a recent interview.

In synth-pop opener Free-

way, the former "Til Tuesday front woman documents the struggles of a drug-addicted friend.

"I think everybody struggles with obsession to a certain extent because I think it's a mechanism by which people make themselves feel better ... It gives you the illusion of control and power."

And while the Los Angeles-based singer stays true to her soulful pop sound, Smilers differs from her other work in its lack of electric guitar. A decision she says was made during recording because "we just didn't need it."

Instead, Mann focuses on keyboard, acoustic guitar and synthesizers.

For instance, the last track, Ballantines, is an almost cabaret-sounding tune, albeit telling the disheartening story of a one-time hot shot now down on his luck.

"I dreamt that I wrote a song and I was listening to this song in my dream and at the end of every verse, it referenced a different beer ... All I remember (was Ballantines beer) and I just thought that that was such a ridiculous idea that I thought I'd see if I could write something that had the flavour of that dream."

Dirty little Wet Secrets

Local group blends zany lyrics with dance rock

By BRIAN COULTON for Metro Edmonton

A small, unsuspecting prairie town sits quiet. The clichéd tumbleweed rolls by. Suddenly, movement is seen in the distance. It's people — 50 of them. They're wearing marching band uniforms, promenading down the main strip in single file. Some play instruments, some wave flags and twirl batons while others pull little red wagons holding powered amps. But, before the town knows what's hit them, the proces-

sion has marched out the other side of town, boarded a bus and is gone.

That's The Wet Secrets' rock fantasy.

"That is really our fantasy: 'Guerilla marching band strikes on unsuspecting small town'," envisions Trevor Anderson, vocalist and drummer for the Edmonton quintet.

Rock Fantasy is also the title of the band's sophomore album; an uproariously commanding record characterized by overtly humorous lyrics and vigorous dance-rock songs.

"We very happily — sometimes to our detriment — shout things that should be kept secret," he says. "There's

a strange amount of innocence in it. It's not dark. It's maybe dirty but light. Dirty light — that's us."

They almost have to be light. Busy lives outside The Wet Secrets barely permit them time to focus too heavily on the band's development.

Kim Rackel on tuba and trumpet and Donna Ball on trombone run burlesque troupe, Capital City Burlesque. Lyle Bell does overtime in Shout Out Out Out Out and manages production of *Vue Weekly*. Keyboardist Doug Organ (check his birth certificate) produces and plays in a number of bands and Anderson doubles as a budding filmmaker.

"It's just hard to get the five



The Wet Secrets' album *Rock Fantasy* mixes humorous lyrics and energetic dance rock.

of us in a room, let alone a city," says Anderson.

When asked if the band has longevity in them, Anderson jokes, "Oh, I doubt it! It was meant to be a one

week prank and it has been pulling us along so far."

But, Anderson says The Wet Secrets are happy fatalists, optimistic about what's to come. "We know if it's

meant to be, it will be. There's a certain amount of life that you just have to say in. The more you can embrace that, the more happy accidents can occur."

Is Lego Indiana Jones going to whip you into a frenzy? Is Hot Shots Golf: Open Tee 2 an ace or a bogey? Find out by reading the Game On column, exclusively at metronews.ca.



Good training for Rescue Me role

CALL IT RESEARCH: As everyone knows, actress Tatum O'Neal was caught up in a drug bust earlier this month, busted on New York's Lower East Side buying cocaine during what she calls a downward emotional spiral after the death of her dog. It's another troubled chapter in the life of the daughter of actor Ryan O'Neal and actress Joanna Cook Moore. In a piece in Entertainment Weekly just after her arrest she tried to explain her motives, adding that she's estranged from her father, and that her mother died of her addiction. (Moore, a heavy smoker, died of lung cancer in 1997.)

That O'Neal is sticking to the addict's script is fairly obvious, so it comes as no



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surprise to hear that Denis Leary is fully supportive of his fellow Rescue Me cast member. O'Neal plays the sister of Leary's character on the show — an alcoholic like her brother, with a little porn addiction on the side and the sort of emotional history that would even make friends think twice before trying to fix her up with someone they know.

"Tatum shot a couple of

episodes before her recent trouble," Leary told the National Ledger this week, "and she has a lot of other segments she'll do — it doesn't matter to me when and how she comes back. I love her. She's great."

Leary calls the bust "a lucky break for her," since it "kept her from doing whatever damage she would have done to herself." It also adds an extra layer of verisimilitude to the show, which has been pushing the limits of dark comedy since it debuted on FX almost four years ago; with O'Neal, the show has landed itself in some swampy region between method acting and reality TV.

SPECIAL GUESTS: "Stunt-casting" is just one of the

ways in which primetime has been spicing itself up lately, poaching the more sordid parts of the tabloid marquee for ratings-grabbing guest shots, as well as getting movie stars, actors with featured parts on other shows, and the occasional wily casting in-joke, to turn every week into "a very special episode."

It's become so common that Seth Green, late of Buffy and currently of Robot Chicken fame, was forced to wonder aloud to the Hollywood Reporter that he's only now gotten around to making an appearance on My Name Is Earl, a show that has, so far, featured spots by Paris Hilton, Howie Mandel, Giovanni Ribisi, Juliette Lewis and Michael Rapaport, among others.

The show even tried to get Britney Spears to play a stripper before her How I Met Your Mother guest spots, but Earl creator Greg Garcia says that they're not interested any more. "Now she's been used, so no thanks!" There's got to be something wrong in a world

where Britney can't even get a job playing a stripper. It's like an M. Night Shyamalan movie where you forget someone's name just before they cease to exist. Or at least that's what I'm hoping.

Rick McGinnis writes about music, movies, books and television, but not opera.

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Green to guest on My Name Is Earl



COMEDY Actor Seth Green will guest star on an episode of the NBC comedy My Name Is Earl, Reuters reports. Green will play Buddy Zaks, a former Make-a-Wish child whose wish to star in an action movie was ruined by Earl (Jason Lee). In order to cross Buddy off his list of wrongs to right, Earl must produce Buddy's film.

art show

Duran Duran make Louvre history

MUSIC Duran Duran have become the first pop group to perform at the Louvre Museum in Paris, BBC News Online reports. The museum opened its doors for the band — who performed in the famous Louvre Pyramid, designed by IM Pei. The gig was organized as part of a fundraising effort for the 18th century Decorative Arts Gallery of the museum, which is due to re-open in 2011.

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critics' corner

Hope & Faith

Hope and Faith's (Kelly Ripa, Faith Ford) father is portrayed by veteran actor Robert Wagner in "Phone Home for the Holidays." Known for playing the field socially, and usually with much-younger women, Dad surprises his daughters by bringing an age-appropriate girlfriend (guest star Lynda Carter) with him for Thanksgiving. The sisters are even more surprised when the new flame confesses a secret. 7:30 PM on CMT



The Russia House

Another movie where an older Sean Connery gets the younger, beautiful woman. In this 1990 drama based on a John Le Carré novel, he stars as Bartholomew Blair, a British publisher who doubles as an involuntary spy trying to track down the person handing Russian secrets to Great Britain. Michelle Pfeiffer, Roy Scheider, J.T. Walsh and John Mahoney co-star. 6:30 PM on BRAVO

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	12	CBFT 119 705	Des squelettes	La Mosquée	Perdus (HDTV) (N) (SC)		Bons baisers de France (SC)		Le Téléjournal (SC)		TJ Alberta	
	13	KXLY - 371	NBA Basketball	Finals Game 4 - Boston Celtics at Los Angeles Lakers.			Jimmy Kimmel		Cops	Inside Edition	Entertainment	
	16	KAYU - 373	70s Show	The Simpsons	Two/Half Men	Two/Half Men	Smarter Than a 5th Grader?		So You Think You Can Dance		News (N)	
	19	CHTV - -	70s Show	El News	True Hollywood Story		Smarter Than a 5th Grader?		Fear Itself 'Spooked'		News (N)	
	22	KSPS - 374	NewsHour With Jim Lehrer		Celtic Thunder				My Music: The British Beat			
	24	WTVS - 364	Ask This Old	Michigan	Pioneers in Aviation: The Race		Red Green	Time Goes By	Tavis Smiley	Charlie Rose (N)		
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	27	CNN 500 500	Larry King Live		Anderson Cooper 360 (HDTV)				Larry King Live		Cooper 360	
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	47	SPEED 417 406	Pinks - All Out		Low Life	Low Life	Pinks (HDTV)	Pass Time	Monster Jam		Pinks - All Out	
	94	SCORE 410 403	Canadian Open Poker Champ.		Score Tonight		The Spin With Steve Koules.		Score Update		Score Update	
	9	EDACC 267 351	Law & Order: Criminal Intent		Archaeologist	It's Just Food	Don't Forget the Lyrics!		Beautiful Minds		Help TV	
	14	YTV 552 543	Drake & Josh	Drake & Josh	Malcolm-Mid.	Prank Patrol	Fries That?	Futurama	Prank Patrol	Mystery Hnt.	Falcon Beach	
	17	TREE 553 546	Little Bear	Miss Spider	Comfy Couch	Rolie Polie Olie	Beren. Bears	Dragon (DVS)	Backyardigans	Dora-Explorer	Crazy Quilt	
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	18	CMT 575 583	Reba	Hope & Faith	Home Improve.	Roseanne	Dedicated		Reba	Hope & Faith	Home Improve.	
	25	A&E 615 520	The First 48 (HDTV)		Crime 360 (N)		The First 48 (HDTV)		The First 48 (HDTV)		The First 48	
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	29	FOOD 603 561	Unwrapped	Unwrapped	Secret Life of	Secret Life of	Ace of Cakes	Ace of Cakes	Iron Chef America		Unwrapped	
	31	SHOW 517 522	Trailer Park	Billable Hours	ReGenesis (HDTV)		Intelligence (DVS)		G-Spot	Exes & Ohs	The Shield	
	32	DISC 520 505	(6) Dirty Jobs		MythBusters		Daily Planet		Sport Science		Dirty Jobs	
	33	SLICE 601 562	Last 10	Bulging Brides		Biggest Loser Australia	Rich Bride, Poor Bride		Last 10	Bulging Brides	Biggest Loser	
	34	W 602 567	Shopping Bags		House	Will & Grace	Friends		Confidential	Save Us-House	Wasted	
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36		BRAVO 620 523	(6:30) The Russia House *** (1990, Drama)				Law & Order		Without a Trace "Risen"		East Is East	
38		SPIKE 628 584	TNA IMPACT! (N)				The Ultimate Fighter		Dangerous Animals II		Amazing Video	
40		HIST 522 506	Daring to Die		NCIS		Crime Stories		Ireland's Nazis		Daring to Die	
41		COM 626 547	Laughs	Comics	Air Force	22 Minutes	Laughs	Rick Mercer	The Simpsons	South Park	VIP	
43		SPACE 627 528	Star Trek: Next Gener.		Night Stalker "Into Night"		Stargate SG-1		Star Trek: Voyager		Star Trek: Ent.	
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46		OLN 411 457	Mark Williams' Big Bangs		Don't Forget Your Passport		Pilot Guides		Don't Forget Your Passport		Everest: Man	
48		TROP 619 525	Tube Tales	Vanity Insanity	Inside Hollywood (DVS)		ET Canada	What Happen?	Family Guy	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	
50		STAR 621 527	Scott Baio, 45	Scott Baio, 45	The Tonight Show-Jay Leno		eTalk	TMZ	Scott Baio, 45	Scott Baio, 45	Hollywood	
52		HGTV 600 564	Disaster DIY	The Big Flip	Handyman Superstar		Holmes on Homes		Restaurant Makeover		Disaster DIY	
65		TLN 700 800	(6) Sant'Antonio di Padova		The Sopranos (SS)		Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Ident Program	Latin Lover	
92	APTN 269 350	First Talk	News	Raven Tales	From the Spirit	Canadian Geographic		Club Native Aboriginal identity.		The Mix		
93	VISION 261 394	Robin Hood: Men in Tights ** (1993, Comedy)		Made "Boxer"		Emily of New Moon		Robin Hood: Men in Tights ** (1993)				
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102	CPAC 512 396	Question Period		Revue Politique Headlines.		Primetime Politics		Question Period		Public Record		
103	CLT 526 507	(6) Another Woman		Traders "Family Legacy"		The West Wing "Han"		The District "Bloodlines"		AnotherWoman		
105	TV5 145 761	Envoyé spécial	Aux frontières de la Chine	Design		Journal TV5	Cinéma	Réalis	Monsieur Joseph			
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Wedding's off: Report

Jamie Lynn Spears' baby joy may have turned sour because her wedding to Casey Aldridge is off, star-magazine.com reports.

The pregnant teenager has called off her wedding to the father of her baby.

Ever since the Zoey 101 star announced she's pregnant, her mom, Lynne Spears, has reportedly been pushing her to marry Aldridge.

While it seems like Jamie Lynn has been trying her best to do the right thing, insiders have told Star that the tension between the couple has become so intense that it's doubtful they will ever exchange vows.

"Jamie Lynn and Casey have been fighting non-stop about

everything, from what to name the baby to what to eat for dinner," a source told Star. "And now she's called off their wedding plans."

Despite reports that the couple bought a house near Jamie Lynn's hometown of Kentwood, La., 17-year-old Jamie Lynn has reportedly moved back into the Spears' family estate — and her dad, Jamie Spears, has flown from pop star sister Britney's side in Los Angeles to be there for his younger daughter.

"They've been busy decorating the baby nursery," an insider revealed.

Aldridge, 19, is "in and out," the second insider says of the current status of the couple's relationship.

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Salma may wed this summer

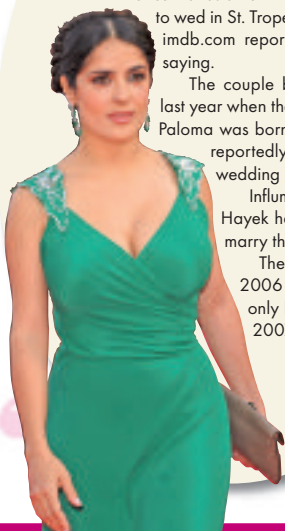
Actress Salma Hayek and her businessman fiancé Francois-Henri Pinault are planning to wed in St. Tropez later this summer, imdb.com reports French media as saying.

The couple became new parents last year when their daughter Valentina Paloma was born and now Hayek has reportedly started looking for a wedding gown.

Influmedia.com reports that Hayek has happily agreed to marry the millionaire.

The couple met in April 2006 but their romance only became public in 2007.

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Mark drops 'wife' word

Actor Mark Wahlberg and model Rhea Durham have been together for years — and are parents to daughter Ella, 4, and son Michael, 2, People.com reports.

Now, as the couple expects baby No. 3, are they ready to walk down the aisle?

They haven't announced an engagement, but Wahlberg did call Durham his "future wife" recently, at the New York premiere of his new film, The Happening, when discussing his 37th birthday on June 5.

"I had a beautiful day with my kids and my future wife," he said. "We went to brunch."

As for the impending arrival, Wahlberg revealed they're having a son, and that Durham, 29, is due in September. "We're thrilled!"

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Madonna denies divorce

Pop star Madonna is not divorcing her husband, filmmaker Guy Ritchie, the New York Daily News reports her rep as having said.

A blog claimed earlier this week that Madonna had hired top matrimonial lawyer Nicholas Mostyn, the attorney who represented former Beatle Paul McCartney in his divorce from Heather Mills.

Madonna's spokeswoman, Liz Rosenberg, said otherwise.

"All's good. They're very happy," Rosenberg said.

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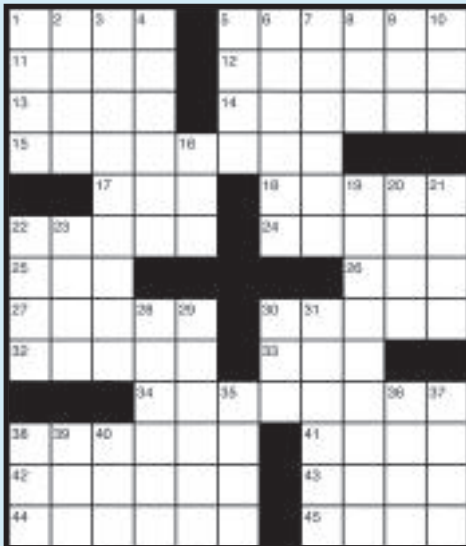
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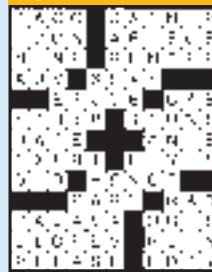


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| 2 Singer Guthrie | 22 Assess |
| 3 People who are owed | 23 Like some cheese |
| 4 Chaperone | 28 Eye part |
| 5 Con | 29 Football squad |
| 6 Wild ones | 30 Orange tuber |
| 7 Countrified | 31 "Twelfth Night" countess |
| 8 Museum stuff | 35 Take 10 |
| 9 Buck's partner | 36 Avenue liners |
| 10 Cut off | 37 ASAP, in the ER |
| 16 Place down | 38 Singer Cole |
| 19 Fellow magazine workers | 39 Had dinner |
| 20 Dandling spot | 40 Hauler's unit |

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| 5 Rub the wrong way | 18 Check marks | 34 House munchers |
| 11 Goes astray | 22 Run-down | 38 Local resident |
| 12 Impulse relay | 24 Tea cake | 41 Battery unit |
| 13 One of the Baldwins | 25 Hitherto | 42 Makes amends |
| 14 Tried the soup | 26 Snaky fish | 43 "— La Douce" |
| 15 Aid for one with many tasks | 27 — Haute | 44 Lease signer |
| | 30 Alpine sound | 45 Aide: Abbr. |
| | 32 Car of the '50s | |

previous answer

water gardens

enjoy the pond skip the hole enjoy gardening

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Terry Stickels

One of the following words does not belong with the others. Which is the odd one out?

Pommes	Harmattan	Levante
Libeccio	Khamis	Fantouche

Yesterday's Answer
The three consecutive numbers are: 597, 598, and 599.

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instructions»

The digits 1 through 9 will appear exactly once in each row, each column, and each zone. (A zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine of these zones in the puzzle.) Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same 3x3 zone, or in the same row across the puzzle, or column down the puzzle.

solve time»

Under 13 minutes Genius
13-17 minutes Scholar
17-21 Smart
21-25 Pretty good
More than 25 Keep practising

previous answer

3	2	4	8	9	5	1	7	6
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HOROSCOPE**ARIES** | March 21-April 20

A forced move is now acceptable. Don't jump to conclusions, and avoid meddling. Uncertainty crops up concerning a romantic fantasy.

**TAURUS** | April 21-May 21

A bubbly female sees an ironic twist of fate. A convenient illness brings release from anxiety. Stock markets are behaving oddly.

**GEMINI** | May 22-June 21

Someone you care for will guide you in love. Gratitude will improve your chance of success. You'll have to buff up your skills.

**CANCER** | June 22-July 22

A weary man faces a series of misfortunes. A pet will give you comfort. A lack of attention will stand out.

**LEO** | July 23-Aug. 23

Pride raises its inflamed head. A woman finally gets what she paid for. Being too serious may cause some funny teasing.

**VIRGO** | Aug. 24-Sept. 22

Keep in touch with someone who's in the wrong. Take a break from your routine. A senior misses your contribution.

**LIBRA** | Sep. 23-Oct. 23

A fearless friend will perform tricks. A disgusted woman is outrageous, but don't say so. A punitive person influences a conscience.

**SCORPIO** | Oct. 24-Nov. 22

A woman wants to talk about having fun. Don't battle against a man's generosity. Making an effort will let you stash extra money.

**SAGITTARIUS** | Nov. 23-Dec. 21

A blonde's novel approach changes responses. Nutrition assumes greater importance. Comments are made about an accuser.

**CAPRICORN** | Dec. 22-Jan. 20

Keep a tight grip on your spending. There's a failure to connect with a loved one. Confusion wastes time and causes despair.

**AQUARIUS** | Jan. 21-Feb. 18

Wacky reactions will get stale fast. A change of location will benefit you. A strange voice is heard in an unusual place.

**PISCES** | Feb. 19-Mar. 20

Ask a few questions about fun-filled activities. Noise causes some harsh words. Don't hurt a timid person's earnest heart. AVATAR VENUS

This Day IN HISTORY

June 12, 1942: Holocaust: Future essayist Anne Frank receives a diary for her 13th birthday.

June 12, 1967: The U.S. Supreme Court declares laws against interracial marriage unconstitutional.

June 12, 1964: Anti-apartheid activist Nelson Mandela is sentenced to life in prison for sabotage in South Africa.

June 12, 1994: Nicole Brown Simpson and Ronald Goldman are murdered. O.J. Simpson is later acquitted of the killings. SOURCE: imdb.com

Edmonton weather**Afternoon**

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Tonight

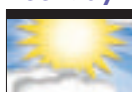
Clear.
Low 9°

Friday

Variable.
19° / 8°

Saturday

Variable.
15° / 9°

**Sunday**

Partly
cloudy.
18° / 8°

**Temperature
Normals**
High: 21°
Low: 8.1°

Records
High: 31.1°/1912
Low: 0.6°/1969

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Sunset: 10:03 p.m.
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